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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1036

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE MARILYN JARRETT.

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Senator Marilyn Jarrett passed away suddenly on March 10, 2006 at the age of sixty-seven.

Born in Snowflake, Arizona on March 4, 1939, Marilyn Jarrett lived most of her life in this state and served it admirably as a public servant and community leader. While growing up in rural Arizona, Senator Jarrett learned the value of hard work and how to take on and fulfill responsibility. These values stayed with her and served her well through years of public service. Senator Jarrett left the country but the country roots never left her.

In addition to raising five children and enjoying success as a business owner, Senator Jarrett served as a precinct committee member, as president of the Mesa GOP Women and as a member of Mesa Vision, a city planning organization.

Senator Jarrett began her distinguished career in the Arizona Legislature as a member of the House of Representatives in 1995 before being appointed as the State Senator for District 19 in 2001. She was serving as President Pro Tempore in the Senate at the time of her death, and she had served both chambers as Majority Whip during her tenure. Senator Jarrett also served as chairperson of numerous committees during her legislative career and was cochairperson of the Healthy Forest Initiative Committee at the time of her death. She was a vocal advocate of issues involving forest health, public safety and the justice system.

Senator Jarrett had a quiet presence and stately demeanor about her that were admired by all, and she was well-respected on both sides of the political aisle. Although she was very firm in her convictions, she mastered the art of being able to disagree without becoming disagreeable.

Senator Jarrett was an active member of the National Order of Women Legislators and was elected as the group's president in 2005. She held the unique distinction of being the only legislator from the State of Arizona to be voted Legislator of the Year twice by the National Order of Women Legislators.

Dedicated to her family, Senator Jarrett is survived by her children, LeAnn, Gary, Tiffani, Shelli and Alicia, her fourteen grandchildren and her siblings, Nona Hansen and Ned Black. She exhibited tremendous grace, dedication, compassion and wisdom in all of her endeavors, both professional and personal, and she will be deeply missed by her family members, her peers and friends at the Arizona Legislature and the people of the State of Arizona.

Therefore

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the Members of the Legislature express sincere regret and sadness at the passing of their colleague and friend, Marilyn Jarrett, and extend their deepest sympathies to her surviving family members.

PASSED THE HOUSE MAY 4, 2006.

PASSED THE SENATE MAY 4, 2006.

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